

3 December 1965

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 3 December 1965

25X1 [ ] of OCI gave a briefing on the Chinese Communist population problem.

Cline tabled a compendium on the Communist Party activities in Latin America. (See Action Item 1) He reported that a briefing team, headed by Don Chamberlain, had recently returned from a trip to [ ] to brief 25X1 certain officials in overhead reconnaissance. He noted that U.S. Ambassador [ ] had been extremely pleased with the briefings.

R.J. Smith noted a Weekly article on Raul Castro's visit to the USSR. He also noted the Indonesian item in the CIB this morning.

Kent reported that a new Courses of Action paper had been received from Hughes concerning the [ ] (See Action Item 2) 25X1

Bannerman reported that [ ] 25X1 would be on alert for the next Gemini launch.

deSilva reported on his briefing of Senator Jackson in Seattle. He noted the Senator's appreciation of the expected reaction of the American people to the increased loss of U.S. personnel in SVN. He initiated a discussion of the possible usefulness of briefing Secretary McNamara on Agency efforts on rural pacification in SVN. He furnished some background information on the upcoming 11 December meeting in the Washington area concerning a review of the entire rural pacification situation in SVN by high level officials from State, DOD, and the Agency.

Houston noted a favorable reaction on the part of Senator McGovern following his visit to South Vietnam.

25X1 [ ] reported that General Taylor will be given some further briefings, in his role as a member of the President's Board, on Tuesday covering USIB, the DCI's community responsibilities, and China.

25X1 Wheelon reported on the [ ] He also noted that [ ] He also suggested that at a future Morning Meeting, a briefing will be provided for the [ ] 25X1

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DCI on the [redacted]

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Finally, he reported on the development of an [redacted]

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The DCI asked for a status report on the development [redacted]

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[redacted] Wheelon informed him that the tests will take place in January and it will be at that point that the Agency can decide whether it wishes to interest itself in the program.

FitzGerald reported that the [redacted] had picked up a guerrilla suspect who claimed his training had been provided in Indonesia. He also noted a report of a Communist plot in the Dominican Republic. He briefed on the CI meeting yesterday afternoon.

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The Executive Director reported that an Agency program for cost saving in the medical field had been well received by the White House and would soon be in use throughout the U.S.G.

The DCI expressed his pleasure at a recent report he had received on the excellent facilities in Dr. Tietjen's office. The DCI initiated a discussion of the number of new slots within the DDI for [redacted]. In this connection, the Executive Director reported that he will be having a meeting with Budget Director Schultze this afternoon. (See Action Item 3)

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The DCI indicated his concern that an adequate number [redacted]

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[redacted] personnel may not be available within the Agency.

The DCI also questioned whether there was enough [redacted] input into various estimates which emanate from BNE. The DCI expressed his interest in the development of a systems study approach to various intelligence collection problems. Wheelon reported that his people were moving forward in this field and Cline undertook to monitor the NPIC effort in this regard. In this connection, FitzGerald noted that while in [redacted] he had initiated a discussion with [redacted] as to various ChiCom purchases in [redacted]

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[redacted] He felt that in this way we could come to a better understanding of what the Chinese can and cannot produce. The DCI wholeheartedly endorsed this effort.

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#### ACTIONS:

1. The DCI requested that the DDI prepare for his signature letters of transmittal to Rusk, McNamara, and McGeorge Bundy for forwarding with the OCI compendium on Communism in Latin America. ~~The letters are to explicitly state that this is a product of the Office of Current Intelligence.~~ (DDI in the course of the day)

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25X1 2. The DCI indicated his strong desire that any dissents which Hughes is going to table on the [ ] next week be available ahead of time. The DCI suggested that a special USIB meeting be held on Tuesday morning. (Kent)

3. The DCI urged that the supplemental fund for [ ] in the Agency budget be separated out so it would be immediately recognizable. (Executive Director-Comptroller)

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